



New Safety Recall Advanced Communication – W24

FCA US LLC (FCA US) has announced a safety recall on certain 2019 and 2020 Model Year (DJ) Ram 2500 Pickup and (D2) Ram 3500 Pickup vehicles equipped with a bed step.

VINs identified as being involved in this campaign are currently live and searchable. **Stop sale is in effect for the above-identified vehicles.**

Vehicles impacted by a stop sale are eligible for reimbursement allowance through the Recall Floorplan Reimbursement Policy (RFPRP), which can be requested upon recall claim submission.

<u>IMPORTANT</u>: Some of the involved vehicles may be in dealer new vehicle inventory. Federal law requires you to complete this recall service on these vehicles before retail delivery. Violation of this requirement by a dealer could result in a civil penalty of up to \$21,000 per vehicle. Involved vehicles can be determined by using the VIP inquiry process.

REASON FOR THIS SAFETY RECALL

Some of the above vehicles were built with a bed step which may fail in certain angular or side-load loading conditions. If a sufficient side-load is applied to the bed step, its mounting bracket may fracture and cause the bed step to suddenly and unexpectedly fail while in use, which can increase the risk of an injury to the user.

SERVICE ACTION

FCA US will conduct a voluntary safety recall to replace the bed step support brace on all sold vehicles. The remedy for this condition is not currently available. Dealers will be notified of the launch of this safety recall by way of established communication methods. This recall is estimated to launch in 2nd Quarter of 2020.

We ask that you please take the time to ensure that your personnel are aware of this communication and are prepared to execute a customer friendly process for inquiries regarding involved vehicles.

Customer Services Field Operations FCA US LLC

This notice applies to your vehicle,

W24/NHTSA 20V-207

LOGO

VEHICLE PICTURE

YOUR SCHEDULING OPTIONS

- 1. Visit recalls.mopar.com to sign up for email or SMS notifications for when remedy parts become available. You will be asked to provide your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN), provided above
- **2.** Scan below using your smartphone or tablet to sign up to be notified when remedy parts become available

QR Code

- **3.** Wait for FCA US to contact you again, by mail, with a follow-up recall notice when remedy parts are available
- 4. Call the FCA Recall Assistance
 Center at 1-800-853-1403. An
 agent can sign you up to be notified
 when remedy parts become
 available, or answer any other
 questions you may have

DEALERSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

Please reference Safety Recall W24.

IMPORTANT SAFETY RECALL

Bed Step

Dear [Name],

This notice is sent to you in accordance with the National Traffic and Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

FCA US has decided that a defect, which relates to motor vehicle safety, exists in certain [2019 and 2020 Model Year (DJ) Ram 2500 Pickup and (D2) Ram 3500 Pickup] vehicles.

WHY DOES MY VEHICLE NEED REPAIRS?

The bed step on your vehicle [1] may fail in certain angular or side-load loading conditions. If a sufficient side-load is applied to the bed step, its mounting bracket may fracture and cause the bed step to suddenly and unexpectedly fail while in use, which can increase the risk of an injury to the user.

HOW DO I RESOLVE THIS IMPORTANT SAFETY ISSUE?

The remedy for this condition is not currently available. We are making every effort to finalize the remedy as quickly as possible, and will service your vehicle free of charge (parts and labor).

FCA US will contact you again, by mail, with a follow-up recall notice when the remedy is available. Once you receive your follow-up notice, simply contact your Chrysler, Jeep®, Dodge or RAM dealer right away to schedule a service appointment [2]. Additional options for your next steps are included on the left side of this notification. We appreciate your patience.

WHAT IF I ALREADY PAID TO HAVE THIS REPAIR COMPLETED?

If you have already experienced this specific condition and have paid to have it repaired, you may visit www.fcarecallreimbursement.com to submit your reimbursement request online [3]. Once we receive and verify the required documents, reimbursement will be sent to you within 60 days. If you have had previous repairs performed and/or already received reimbursement, you may still need to have the recall repair performed.

We apologize for any inconvenience, but are sincerely concerned about your safety. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Customer Assistance/Field Operations FCA US LLC



Mr. Mrs. Customer 1234 Main Street Hometown, MI 48371

 $^{[1] \} If you no longer own this vehicle, please help us update our records. Call the FCA Recall Assistance Center at 1-800-853-1403 to update your information.$

^[2] If your dealer fails or is unable to remedy this defect without charge and within a reasonable time, you may submit a written complaint to the Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 1200 New Jersey Ave., S.E., Washington, DC 20590, or you can call the toll-free Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to safercar.gov.

^[3] You can also mail in your original receipts and proof of payment to the following address for reimbursement consideration: FCA Customer Assistance, P.O. Box 21-8004, Auburn Hills, MI 48321-8007, Attention: Recall Reimbursement.